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| <b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES<br/>DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)<br/>CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b> |   | <b>ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER</b><br>5003073.060US1                    |
| <b>INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.</b><br>PCT/EP2003/010251   | <b>INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE</b><br>15 September 2003 | <b>U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)</b><br>10/527,519 |
| <b>TITLE OF INVENTION</b><br>WASHING DEVICE, METHOD FOR PURIFYING A WASHING PRODUCT, AND USE OF SAID WASHING DEVICE                     |   | <b>PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED</b><br>13 September 2002                    |
| <b>APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US</b><br>Stefan NORDHOFF et al.  |   |  |

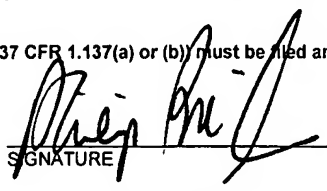
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☐ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☒ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☐ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☐ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☒ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

**Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:**

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☐ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☐ Other items or information:

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| U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)<br><b>10/527,519</b>   |              | INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br><b>PCT/EP2003/010251</b>                     |            | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER<br><b>5003073.060US1</b>   |                 |
| 21. The following fees are submitted:<br><input type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee ..... <b>\$300.00</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee ..... <b>\$200.00</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee ..... <b>\$500.00</b><br><b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = ..... \$1000.00</b>   |              |   |            | Applicant use   | Office use only |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½.   |              |   |            | \$  |                 |
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| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). <b>\$40.00</b> per property  |              |   |            | \$  |                 |
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| NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.   |              |   |            |   |                 |
| SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:  |              |   |            |   |                 |
| SMITH MOORE LLP (Customer No. 29737)<br>P.O. Box 21927<br>Greensboro, NC 27420   |              |   |            | <br>SIGNATURE<br><b>Philip P. McCann</b><br>NAME<br><b>30.919</b><br>REGISTRATION NUMBER |                 |

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- Document(s):
- Return Postcard
  - Check in the amount of \$130.00
  - Transmittal Letter to the U.S. Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Concerning A Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371 - 2 pages
  - Transmittal of Missing Requirements - 1 page
  - Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application - 5 pages
  - English Translation of the International Preliminary Examination Report - 11 pages

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I hereby certify that the documents identified above in connection with our File No. 5003073-060US1 are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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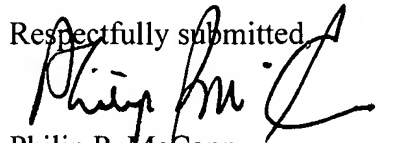
TRANSMITTAL OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Dear Sir:

We have not yet received the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 In The United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) (Form PCT/EO/EO/905) in connection with the above-referenced application. However, we have been advised by the PCT Help Desk that it would be beneficial to submit the documents and fees required to complete the 371 filing requirements. Accordingly, enclosed herewith are the signed Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application and \$130.00 surcharge to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371. Please make this document of record in connection with the above-referenced serial number.

**The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502190.**

Respectfully submitted,



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